

104TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4343

To prohibit the Secretary of Defense from making American communities non-competitive by using shipping cost differentials attributable to the application of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 3, 1996

Mr. UNDERWOOD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on National Security

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON MAKING COMPARISONS**

4 **UNDER THE JONES ACT.**

5 The Secretary of Defense, when making cost analysis
6 or business comparisons between United States and for-
7 eign bases for the supply of United States Navy activities,
8 may not use shipping cost differentials that are attrib-

1 utable to the application of the Merchant Marine Act,
2 1920 (46 U.S.C. App. 861 et seq.) to the United States
3 bases.

